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STRIKE IS UP TO CONGRESS

PRESIDENT WILSON APPEALS FOR URGENT LEGISLATION

Government May Operate Railroads by Special Law Is Rumored in Capital

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, August 26.—President Wilson went to the capitol this morning presumably in connection with the railroad strike situation. While at his office in the capitol he summoned Democratic Leader Kern and Chairman Newlands, of the Senate Commerce committee, who have charge of legislation in the Senate affecting interstate railroads. The trip was wholly unexpected and no arrangements were made for his reception. Although it was known that he came to discuss legislation having a bearing on the threatened strike, his specific purpose was kept secret. When he finished his conference with Kern and Newlands the president came to the door of his office and said: "I came here on certain matters of legislation. That

is all I can say now." Then he returned to the White House without any further explanations of his visit. Newlands said positively that no joint session of Congress had been arranged.

Later it was learned at the capitol that the president told the senators that the railroad executives had "put it up to him" to obtain some guarantee from Congress that they be permitted to get more revenue to meet the increased wages. He said no means of accomplishing that end was agreed upon.

Kern and Newlands, after a canvass of the congressional situation, concluded it was feasible to pass before adjournment an amendment to the pending bill to increase the membership of the Interstate Commerce commission and authorizing

the railways to increase rates and provide machinery for the arbitration of future disputes, possibly similar to the Canadian commission.

Before the president's capitol visit the brotherhood leaders, impatient over the delay of the railroad executives in replying to the president's proposal, declared that only the unqualified concession of eight hours or some action by Congress to cause the government to operate the railroads could prevent a strike.

The president's visit to the capitol was taken as an indication that the situation had reached a crisis.

The rail executives late this afternoon adjourned without completing a statement to the president and their attitude is announced as unchanged.

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WOMAN SLAYS CAPTAIN IN A GEORGIA CAMP

(By Associated Press.)
MACON, Ga., August 26.—Capt. Edgar J. Spratling, of Company F, Fifth regiment, national guard of Georgia, was shot and killed in his tent at the state mobilization camp by Mrs. H. C. Adams, of Atlanta. At the county jail, where she is held on a charge of murder, Mrs. Adams asserted that Capt. Spratling, who was a physician, had offended her by attentions paid her several weeks ago which she was in his office in Atlanta for treatment.

Mrs. Adams, a woman about 30 years of age, came from her home in Atlanta and went directly to the camp. At Capt. Spratling's tent she asked the officer if he was Capt. Spratling, and on being answered in the affirmative, fired at him twice from a small caliber revolver, both shots taking effect.

According to Lieut. Samuel A. Kynor, of Company F, who seized her a moment later, she cried out

as she shot the officer, "You have ruined my home."

After the shooting she seemed hysterical. She said afterwards she had never before seen Capt. Spratling in his uniform, but that he had treated her for a nervous trouble. Referring again to the shooting, she declared:

"I decided there was but one thing for me to do, and I did it. When the testimony comes out I feel sure the public will be with me."

According to information received here, Mrs. Adams left her home in Atlanta shortly after her husband, who is employed at a laundry, had gone to work, leaving her and the couple's three children at home. She said she had previously told her husband of alleged improper relations between her and the captain.

Capt. Spratling, who was 47 years old and married, was well known in medical and social circles in Atlanta. He was regarded as an expert on insanity and once was connected with the Matthew, N. Y., asylum in that capacity.

EPIDEMIC ABATING

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, August 26.—The number of new cases of infantile paralysis is decreasing. In the opinion of local health authorities the epidemic is waning and will be entirely extinguished when the schools reopen. During 24 hours there were 91 new cases, the lowest in a month, and 25 deaths.

CONVICTS ESCAPE

(By Associated Press.)
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., August 26. Four convicts, one a lifer, sawed out of their cells in the Missouri penitentiary last night during a severe thunder storm, scaled the prison walls and escaped. Bloodhounds are trailing, but as rain was falling throughout the night little hope of capture is held out. How they obtained the saws is a mystery to the officials.

EIGHT BURNED BY EXPLOSION

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLES CITY, Iowa, August 25. Seven men and one woman were seriously burned here late yesterday afternoon when a large oil tank belonging to the Standard Oil company exploded, throwing the burning oil in all directions. The fire started when a spark from an engine which was pumping gasoline into the storage tanks ignited the oil. The flames spread rapidly and completely destroyed the Standard Oil company's new plant, causing a loss estimated at \$25,000.

Among the more seriously injured are Rev. Mr. Proebe, Mrs. Conrad, Mrs. Sherman Hunt, Mr. Levitch, A. Gardner, H. C. Clifford, Paul Marshall, George Kellogg and Paul Reets.

BULGARS OVERRUN GREECE TO THE SEA

Serbian and British Meet With Severe Losses on the Macedonian Front

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, August 26.—Bulgars attacked the Greek fort of Startila, killing the commander and the entire garrison, which offered spirited resistance, says a dispatch from Saloniki to Le Matin.

(By Associated Press.)
SOFIA, August 26.—After severe fighting with the Bulgarians right

wing on the Macedonian front the Serbians were defeated with heavy loss and compelled to retire. This is the 18th consecutive attack the Serbians have made.

On the eastern end of the front the Bulgarians reach the Greek Aegean sea, putting British cavalry regiments to flight. Several villages were occupied.

RUSSIANS PRESS GAINS IN SOUTHERN ARMENIA

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, August 26.—Russians pressing the advantage recently gained over the Turks in southern Turkish Armenia. From Kygi to Lake Van stubborn fighting continues. The Russians, after occupying Mush, advanced to Ridge Kurst Dagu, capturing many prisoners.

(By Associated Press.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, August 26.—British and Turkish reconnoitering parties clashed 20 miles east of the

Suez canal coast region. The British were forced to flee.

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, August 26.—Russians who attempted to advance from the Carpathians toward the Hungarian border were partly repulsed.

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, August 26.—In the foothills of the Carpathians in Galicia the Russians pressed back the Austrians, making considerable gains, as they occupied the village of Guta, west of Nadvorna.

TORPEDO SINKS BRITISH SHIP

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, August 26.—A British naval auxiliary was torpedoed in the North Sea with the loss of 23 men. Eighty seven men were saved. The torpedoed vessel was the armed boarding steamer Duke of Albany.

ITALIANS SEIZE LAND IN ALBANIA

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, August 26.—A dispatch from Avlona states the Italians occupied Porto Palermo and the summit of Mt. Kalarat, in southern Albania, in order to watch the coast north of Cape Kephali, a district where it is believed the Austrian submarine base is situated. The territory is quasi-Greek. The opinion here is that Greece will not protest.

TRAVELS 661 MILES INSIDE NINE HOURS

(By Associated Press.)
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., August 26. A new world's record for distance covered in 10 hours carrying a passenger was made today by Victor Carlstrom of the Atlantic coast aeronautical station, who made 661 miles flying in a Curtiss twin motor land and water machine. His actual flying time was 8 hours and 40 minutes. Prizes or bonuses won by the aviator will amount to \$7000.

REPULSED ON TWO FRONTS

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, August 26.—After an intense bombardment the Germans launched an infantry attack west of Tahure, in Champagne, where they penetrated French position, but were subsequently expelled. German attacks on the Somme and Verdun fronts were repulsed. The German attacks at Somme were made on hill 121, near Maurepas. At Verdun the Germans attacked the French line between Thiaumont and Fleury, and after a severe bombardment were unable to advance.

BISHOP SPALDING DIES AT HIS HOME

(By Associated Press.)
PEORIA, Ill., August 26.—Archbishop John Lancaster Spalding, noted prelate of the Catholic church in Illinois and a resident of Peoria continuously since 1877, died at his residence here yesterday at 3:30 p. m. He had been ill for a number of years, having suffered a paralytic stroke in 1906.

The end had been expected daily for the past week. His condition steadily became worse. No pain was suffered during the last days of his illness.

TEMPERATURE REPORT

Highest temperature yesterday, 85; lowest this morning, 60.
Highest temperature a year ago, 83; lowest, 62.

ENEMY CAPTURES U.S. AND LANDS TROOPS

Hostile Army Invades Country From Atlantic in Spite of Heavy Defending Fleet

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, August 26.—The defending squadron under Admiral Helm has been "destroyed" by the hostile fleet under Admiral Mayo in the navy war game. This afternoon the invading army is being landed on the shores of Long Island.

The "red" enemy fleet was within striking distance of Sandy Hook last night, its scouts having been sighted by the "blue" defending forces in the naval war game at noon, 120 miles off Barnegat Inlet. This information reached the navy department in intercepted messages passing between Rear Admiral Helm on the "blue" flagship Rhode Island, and the ships of his command.

The "red" scouts were heading, the message showed, and navy officials said Admiral Helm undoubtedly was

straining every resource to locate the main "red" fleet under Admiral Mayo and the transport train that is bringing a hypothetical army of invasion. If the "blue" scouts were successful in gathering positive information before darkness complicated their task, it was believed Admiral Helm would make a night "attack" upon the most vulnerable elements of the "reds."

The position and course of the "red" scouts indicated that Admiral Mayo might be making a dash for some landing point either near New York or at Delaware bay. His scouts were about equidistant between these two points when sighted. The fact stood out sharply that despite the long line of scouts thrown out by the "blue" commander, the "red" fleet has driven to within 120 miles of the nation's most important seaport without having been intercepted.

EXPLORERS WRECKED IN THE BERING SEA

Borden Party From Chicago, With Supplies for Steffanson, Rescued by the McCullough

(By Associated Press.)
SEATTLE, August 26.—The coast guard cutter McCullough, in Bering Sea, reports that the power schooner Great Bear, carrying the Arctic expedition headed by John Borden, of Chicago, and Capt. Louis Lane, of Seattle, was wrecked on Pinnacle rock, in Bering Sea, August 10. The Great Bear is a total loss, but the entire party was safely landed at St. Mathews island, where the cutter found them.

The Great Bear, built this year, departed July 26 for an extended cruise in the Arctic. She was especially

constructed to withstand the pressure of ice floes. The intention was to penetrate to Banksland, where they expected to meet Vilhjalmur Stefansson, for whom the boat carried supplies. The Bear was not heard of here since August 16, when leaving Unalaska for Nome, a trip usually requiring a week. When she failed to arrive anxiety was felt and the McCullough was dispatched to search the Alaskan islands.

The party was able to land on the 10th with provisions and lived comfortably for fifteen days until the McCullough, which was sent from Nome to search, found them. The party was taken aboard, the cutter, which was starting back from Nome last night.

The McCullough, with the Great Bear party, is expected to reach Nome tomorrow, according to a message from Nome.

HONORED FOR SINKING STEAMSHIP LUSITANIA

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, August 26.—The Stifts-Tidende, of Ribe, Denmark, is quoted by the Reuter News service from Copenhagen as saying that the commander of the submarine that sank the Lusitania was Capt. Aax Valentiner, son of the dean of Sonderburg Cathedral. It is reported that he has been decorated a number of times with high orders.

WILL WED THIS EVENING

William Olds, employed on the T. & G. railroad, will be married to Miss Vera Bowler this evening at the home of the bride by Rev. Ralph W. Bayless. C. H. Olds and wife will motor over from Goldfield to attend the wedding.

QUESTION OF SANITY

The hearing of Lillian Brooks, who fired fifteen shots yesterday at a colored washerwoman, is set by Justice Dunseath for Monday morning. An examination might be held after the hearing for insanity.

ECONOMIC CRISIS FELT IN VENICE

(By Associated Press.)
ROME, August 26.—Venice is facing a serious economic crisis as a result of the war. The city has sent a delegation to ask the national government for assistance. They complain the city is deprived of the usual business of the port, income of tourists and the loss of fishing on the Adriatic is cutting off incomes.

CHAIRMAN LOSES IN SEEKING ENDORSEMENT

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, August 26.—Walter R. Bacon, chairman of the executive committee of the Republican state central committee, was overwhelmingly defeated in the fight to obtain the committee endorsement of the nominee of the party primary for U. S. senator, he it Johnson or Booth.

GAINS AT SOMME BY THE BRITISH

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, August 26.—Heavy attacks made by Prussian guards against British positions at Thiepval, on the Somme front, were repulsed by the Worcestershire and Wiltshire regiments. Near Moquet farm the British gained 400 yards. The German trenches along the Courcellette-Thiepval road were captured.

A British aeroplane squadron made another dash over Belgium, penetrating to the vicinity of Namur, bombarding German airship sheds. One aeroplane is missing.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO

	1916	1915
5 a. m.	60	62
9 a. m.	75	74
12 noon	81	80
2 p. m.	82	84
Relative humidity at 2 p. m.		
today, 23 per cent.		

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BETTER PICTURES
TONIGHT
MARGUERITE SNOW
Talented Screen Star, in
"NOTORIOUS GALLAGHER"
A story of novelty, dealing with a youth who mistakes notoriety for fame, pictured in five acts.
PATHE WEEKLY
Tomorrow
BLANCHE SWEET
—In—
"THE RAGAMUFFIN"
—And—
Paramount-Bray Cartoon Comedy
Monday—Anita Stewart—Monday
Matinee 1:30—Night 7 and 8:30
Admission 10-15c